

ROCKWELL COLLINS DECORAH OPERATIONS
DECORAH, IOWA

Rockwell Collins, Decorah Operations, manufactures advanced communication and aviation electronics for aircraft manufacturers and airlines. The Decorah facility is the Lean model facility for the Rockwell Collins Lean Electronics Initiative, developed to reduce various types of waste throughout the company. The facility is certified to ISO 14001.

ENVIRONMENTAL PERFORMANCE

Past Accomplishments

The Decorah facility demonstrated a commitment to environmental performance through hazardous waste reductions and solid waste reductions. Since 1997, the facility:

- **Reduced the hazardous waste** produced in its foaming process by 29% through switching to a new chemical applicator that distributes the exact amount of chemical needed.
- **Reduced total solid waste** by 40% through implementing a packaging material reuse and recycling program in which local special needs adults sort packaging materials for reuse.

Future Commitments

The Decorah facility strives to constantly improve its environmental performance by reducing material use, solid and hazardous waste, and energy use. By 2003, the facility will:

- **Reduce material use** (toluene) by 5% through switching to a pump dispenser.
- **Reduce solid waste** by 8% through increasing recycling and reuse awareness.
- **Reduce energy use** by 1.2% through turning off lights and equipment each day.
- **Reduce hazardous waste** by 5.3% through separating drums from hazardous material and recycling drums.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Rockwell Collins, Decorah Operations, communicated with the mayor of Decorah in 2000 to provide information on its environmental programs and ensure that the community is aware of how to contact the facility to express environmental concerns. The facility addresses environmental concerns promptly through direct contact and/or media notification. The facility will include the Performance Track Annual Performance Report in the report to the mayor and will make the report available at the public library. Information about the company's environmental performance is also available through the company's Web site.

AT A GLANCE

Industry Sector:	Computers and Electronics
Business:	Manufactures communication and aviation electronics
Facility Employees:	100-499
Accomplishments:	Reduced hazardous waste Reduced solid waste
2003 Commitments:	Reduce material use Reduce solid waste Reduce hazardous waste Reduce energy use
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